



- Raw meats must be sold frozen.
- A Farmers' Market Food Vendor Permit can be purchased for \$175.00 annually.

#### **Acceptable Products:**

- Whole produce
- Agricultural products
- Frozen meats from approved sources
- Dairy products from approved sources
- Yard eggs from approved sources
- Baked goods from approved sources

#### **Prohibited Items:**

- Food products obtained from retail and wholesale stores
- Fish and seafood
- Foods prepared at home
- Unpasteurized fluid milk
- Live animals

**For additional information,  
please call us at 817-392-7255**

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# **Farmers Markets**

*Doing Business in Fort Worth*





***The City of Fort Worth supports the growing national trend to shop at local farmers markets. Farmers markets may sell a variety of foods at designated permitted locations throughout the City of Fort Worth.***

The Code Compliance Consumer Health Division permits and inspects farmers markets. Allowing food producers to sell directly to the consumer and increase the availability of healthy foods while ensuring food safety.

**To organize a farmers market:**

- A properly zoned location with adequate parking is required (Contact Planning and Development at 817-392-7820 to verify zoning).
- The business on the property must provide access to their restroom during the hours of the farmers market. A notarized letter allowing all vendors to sell food on their property is required.
- There is a \$250 annual cost for a Farmers Market Permit. Additional permit fees may apply to individual food vendors.

**To sell food at a farmers market:**

- Vendors selling only whole uncut fresh produce or packaged shelf-stable products may operate with the permission of the farmers market organizer. These vendors do not need any additional food permits.
- Vendors sampling food products will need to purchase a Farmers' Market Food Vendor Permit. Examples include samples of crackers, breads and jams.
- Vendors choosing to sell or sample any farm-related, potentially hazardous foods will need to purchase a Farmers' Market Food Vendor Permit. Examples include samples of cut melons or packaged frozen meats.
- The sale and sampling of these products must meet food safety requirements. Contact our office for specific details regarding your food product.
- Foods must be packaged and labeled in accordance with existing federal and state guidelines.

